

**QUARTERLY ISSUES LIST  
FOURTH QUARTER 1999**

<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DURATION</b>
Employment Jobs, Under- Employment and Business	Region Preps for Y2K	Across West-Central PA, thousands of residents and businesses are doing last-minute preparations for the approach of the New Year hoping there will be no problems with their products and people. Additionally, area merchants, especially grocery stores, have noticed and increase in certain sales, in anticipation of problems. GPU reports they have 10 times the normal number of employees scheduled for tomorrow night.	6pm	12/30/99	1:20
	Centre County Markets to Shutdown	Two Centre County markets will be closing in January. This action, more than 15 months in the making will cost 150 employees their jobs.	5pm	12/30/99	1:15
	Boyer Responds	Boyer Candy has responded to charges of unfair labor practices. Company lawyers have filed papers with the NLRB saying allegations Boyer planned to fire striking workers are false.	6pm	12/27/99	1:20
	Red Cross Strikers	Striking workers from Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia visited the region today. They picketed in front of the blood service's headquarters in Johnstown. Strikers want to bring the organization back to the bargaining table, in hopes of gaining better wages and better health benefits. The Johnstown Labor Council also took part in the strike.	6pm	12/21/99	1:10

Black Friday Thousands of shoppers are 6pm 11/26/98 1:15  
filling area stores today, trying  
to get the best deals, and retailers  
are ready for the extra business.  
Some shoppers were out before the  
crack of dawn to get the best deals.  
Some stores were opened as early as  
6am.

Tourism in the A program called "Cycle the 6pm 11/23/99 1:15  
Alleghenies Southern Alleghenies" may be  
in full swing by the spring. The  
Southern Alleghenies Tourism  
Confederation says the project is  
a year in the making. The group  
has developed 17 excursions across  
Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, Blair,  
Huntingdon and Fulton Counties.  
Now they're working with local  
business owners to teach them how  
to cater to cyclists.

Change on the A change is coming soon for one 6pm 11/23/99 1:05  
Board of our region's most recognizable  
lawmakers. After next year's  
elections, U.S. Rep. Bud Shuster  
could end up with a different title.  
term limits will not allow Shuster  
to keep his spot as chairperson on  
the Transportation and Infrastructure  
Committee.

Boyers Major developments are expected 6pm 11/15/99 1:05  
Update in the seven-week-old Boyers strike this  
week. The National Labor Relations  
Board is expected to rule whether or not  
Boyer's management treated the strikers  
unfairly. If the board rules in favor of the  
company, the picket lines could be broken  
by week's end. But strikers say they plan  
to fight.

GTE Thousands of GTE customers in 11pm 11/15/99 1:15  
Problems suburban Johnstown are without phone

service tonight. The phone went dead late this morning when GPU Energy crews were digging along Bedford Street when they mistakenly cut through a fiber optic phone line and damaged other cables. The accident left 3000 customers without service, including major businesses like the Galleria.

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| War Memorial         | After reviewing several reports by independent consultants on how the War Memorial is run, Cambria County Commissioners have requested several changes in the structure of its management. One big change is the hiring of a CEO who would have ultimate accountability.  | 6pm 11/15/99 1:20      |
| Johnstown Distressed | It's not what the city of Johnstown had hoped, but the state is recommending it remain under a distressed status for another three years. That's two years longer than city officials had in mind. Johnstown has not raised taxes in six years, but city leaders admit the tax base is eroding. Still, city council wanted end the distressed status in December next year.       | 6pm 11/11/99 1:15      |
| Cops Contract        | After several weeks of negotiations The City of Johnstown and its police department have come to an agreement on a new contract. The officers' current contract expires at the end of the year. The new deal represents a 3% pay increase.  | 6pm 11/11/99 1:15      |
| Job Cuts             | More than half the work force gets cut at an area manufacturing plant. Bestform announced it's permanently laying off 150 employees. The word went out to workers this morning. In two months time, 150 workers will be without jobs. The positions are being cut from the Broad Street plant in Johnstown. Some of those laid off have worked at the plant for almost ten years. | 6pm 10/1/99 1:15       |
| PA Jobs              | Weekly listings of job opportunities  | ROS :20,:30, :40, :50, |

	Report	available within the 11-county viewing area of WJAC-TV. The lists are provided by the county Offices of Economic Securities. The listings include skilled and unskilled positions.	:60
Medicine	Winter Survival Kit	Area 911 centers are encouraging area residents to have winter survival kits in their vehicles. The kits, available at many outlets, are designed to aid motorists who might become stranded by inclement weather or some other disaster.	6pm 12/28/99 1:10
	Fighting Ovarian Cancer	It's a silent killer that could strike your mother, sister, your wife, or yourself. Doctors say ovarian cancer is difficult to detect, but a new treatment sparks hope. Some of the promising news comes from the Fox-Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia.	6pm 12/17/99 1:20
	First Health Reports	A nightly series of syndicated and locally-produced health reports airing in the 5pm news block. Among the reoccurring segments are Breast Friends seen each Wednesday. Prepared with a local hospital, these segments are designed to increase awareness of breast cancer and to encourage women and men to seek help regularly. The other four segments per week are targeted to women 18-54 years of age.	5pm 10/1-12/31/99 1:25
	Medical Mistakes	The Institute of Medicine wants the health care industry to set a goal, to cut medical mistakes in half over the next five years. But hospital officials in our area say they're already policing themselves. Hospital policies help workers prevent problems, and mistakes usually happen when steps aren't followed correctly. Right now, medical mistakes cost our nation billions of dollars.	6pm 11/30/99 1:30

Breast Friends	A 30-minute program featuring several area health care professionals, breast cancer survivors and spouses, with the emphasis on education and early detection of cancer. A phone bank was in place encouraging viewers with questions or concerns to call. Those handling the phones were breast cancer physicians and members of the American Cancer Society.	7:30pm 10/19/99 30 min
Education	Remembering Pearl Harbor	Millions of Americans took time today to remember the beginning of World War II. Specifically, the bombing of Pearl Harbor. A ceremony was held at the Cambria County Courthouse in Ebensburg. Area students were on hand with Pearl Harbor survivors to assist in the remembrance.
	Hi-Tech Cars	Many police in Centre County will soon have a new crime-fighting tool. Following a trend that's now in many cities, 40 State College area cop cars will soon be outfitted with laptop computers. The million-dollar project is largely funded through a federal grant in cooperation with Penn State University.
	School Roof Collapse	Nobody was hurt when a school roof collapsed, but the repair bill will be a big one. The only sign of a problem is in the hallway ceiling inside Benner Elementary School. It's blamed on too much water building up on the school roof.
Crime	No Lucky Winner	Police say they're close to solving a Christmas break-in at a Johnstown business. Fourteen-hundred dollars in Instant Lottery tickets were stolen from McCunes News. Police have already recovered some stolen items and expect to make an arrest soon.
	Penn State Student Dies	A Penn State student was found dead near Morgantown, WV. Police say 21-

year-old Albert Weinzen from Bentlyville, PA went out drinking with three friends before he died. He became separated from his friends and was discovered Sunday morning. Police believe the cause of death was alcohol-related and an autopsy has been scheduled.

Cresson  
Verdict      Jurors returned with a verdict today 6pm 12/17/99 1:30  
in the Cresson Mountain Civil Trial,  
and it's against both defendants. Penn  
Dot and the trucking company were  
found guilty. They're now responsible  
for causing the deadly accident in 1994.  
Jurors found the trucking company 75%  
at fault and PennDot 25 percent. They owe  
the families of victims \$2.2 million.

Accused  
Again      A man accused of kidnapping/raping 6pm 12/13/99 1:10  
a woman recently has faced similar  
charges before. Police say, earlier this  
month, Edgar Miller jumped in the car  
of a Penn State Altoona student and  
forced her to drive away from Denny's  
Restaurant in Richland. Police say in 1982,  
Miller abducted, raped and later released  
a dancer from a Geistown Borough strip  
club.

Breezewood  
Bust      A major drug bust in a Bedford County 11pm 12/13/99 1:10  
hotel room sends three people from New  
York to jail. It happened about 9:30 last  
night at the Best Western Hotel in  
Breezewood. Mical Smith, Vincent  
Sanchez and Sytonya Latimer are  
charged with conspiracy, possession  
and delivery of cocaine. State police  
say the arrests are part of an ongoing  
investigation in the Breezewood area.

UPJ  
Bust      Police made a drug sweep at UPJ. 11pm 12/10/99 1:15  
They arrested several students who are  
now charged with selling drugs. The  
Cambria County Drug Task Force says  
they are cracking down on everyone.

Tonight four students were put behind bars. They were each given a \$20-thousand bond and will return to court next week.

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| Child Abuse Case     | Charges are dropped against a Bedford County couple who admitted they abused their infant son. Mark Hyde and Wendy Beatty say they took their punishment a little too far but say they didn't know any better. They say they were punishing the baby for not listening. The father claims he was trying to get the baby to burp and the infant put up his middle finger.   | 6pm 12/8/99 1:00 |
| Drug Zone Law        | A convicted drug dealer learned a tough lesson today. A jury found Floyd Lewis of Johnstown guilty of selling drugs within 1000-feet of a school. This crime carries a mandatory prison sentence, and today was the first time it was ever handed down. Lewis will serve 2 1/2 -- 10 years in prison for selling crack cocaine near the Head Start school in Kernville.  | 6pm 12/7/99 1:10 |
| 1:15 Man Fires Shots | A Blair County man may spend up to 20 years in prison for firing shots into a home in Roaring Springs. Police say the bullets almost hit two sleeping infants. Officers tell us Jacob Ritchey of Martinsburg thought he was shooting at the house of a man he had an argument with 10 years ago. The D.A. offered a tentative agreement where Ritchey would plead guilty to one count of aggravated assault with a jail sentence of 10-20 years. | 6pm 12/7/99      |
| Kidnapped and Raped  | A Penn State Altoona student was kidnapped and raped, and police say a Johnstown man faces charges. Police say the man jumped into the woman's car outside an Johnstown restaurant, pushed her to the passenger's  | 6pm 12/6/99 1:10 |

	side and drove away. She was raped and then driven to his house, where the suspect then left the car with her inside.	
No Appeal	A man lost his fight for an appeal. He's 6pm 12/6/99 1:00 accused of raping and killing an 11-year-old girl in 1996. The State Supreme Court said it would not throw out Ron Isenberg, jr.'s confession to the crime. The murder trial will now move ahead. Isenberg admitted to killing young Melody Curtis when police arrested him for	
Target of Threats	An area policeman says an arsonist 6pm 12/3/99 1:10 is targeting him and his family. For the second day in a row, fire sparked. On Thursday, Officer Brock Hendrickson's home was set on fire, and today his brother Brian's home was a target. It's all happening in a small community area in Beaverdale.	
Parents Charged	A Cambria County mother and father 11pm 11/30/99 1:00 face charges of putting their children's lives in danger. Today, police told NewsCenter Six the parents are Johnathan and Carol Slusher of Lower Yoder Township in Johnstown. The two are now charged with criminal endangerment. Police say the parents allowed their 8-month-old child, three-year-old and seven-year-old to live in filthy conditions without proper food.	
Prisoner Caught	The search for an escaped prisoner 11pm 11/26/99 1:00 from Cambria County is over. Tonight Adrian Beard is in prison. A Johnstown police dog caught Beard inside a car. Thanksgiving night, police say they chased Beard for about an hour before finding him locked inside.	
Diocese Can Be Held Liable	A supreme court judge finds the 6pm 11/26/99 1:30 Altoona-Johnstown Diocese can be held liable for allowing one priest to	



repeatedly molest children in his care. The decision partially overturns a previous ruling which said the diocese and former bishop James Hogan were not responsible for the actions of Rev. Francis Luddy. According to court documents, Luddy molested a mildly retarded 10-year-old boy over a six-year period.

Man Fights Against Murder Charge	A Cambria County man charged with 6pm 11/23/99 1:10 murder fights for his freedom. And that battle is creating concern for the victim's family. Today, Ryan Mathieson officially pleaded not guilty to killing Michael Kozlovac and then hiding his body in a wooded area. This is the first time Mathieson made an appearance in the Cambria County Court. He asked for a jury trial and a chance for freedom.
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Penn State Bus Crash	A bus crash on I-80 killed one student 6pm 11/22/99 1:30 and a bus driver this weekend. Today, people living on and around the Penn State University campus deal with sadness and loss. Loved ones held a memorial service for Penn State Senior Denise Orndorff. Penn State officials say 113 students were hurt in the chain-reaction accident that happened on a foggy Sunday morning.
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Scary Party	A Cambria County birthday turns into 6pm 11/19/99 1:20 a frightening sight for a few young children. Richland Township police say a man started shooting his 44-caliber handgun into the air while kids were playing nearby. Officers tell us Ronald Turner was upset with his ex-wife. The police quickly surrounded the area and arrested Turner.
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Mother Arrested Again	A Cambria County woman faces more 6pm 11/19/99 1:15 trouble tonight. Police already arrested Leslie Ann Black for a bizarre murder-for-hire plot. Today, she was cuffed again.
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Police say Blace wanted the father of her four-year-old child dead in order to keep custody. She's accused of hiring who she thought was a hit man to kill her ex-boyfriend. But the man

Sex Sting      A former school teacher and a minister   6pm 11/17/99 1:20  
Both had a chance to tell their side of the story. Police arrested them last month in a sex sting at Babcock State Park. Today the men went to court. Philip Kupchella and the Rev. Carl Schwarm claim they were in the wrong place at the wrong time. Police arrested a total of 10 men for what officers call homosexual activity.

Reward      A Blair County cemetery was vandal-   6pm 11/17/99 1:00  
Offered      ized this week. Today, Blair County CrimeSolvers offer a one-thousand dollar reward for information leading to an arrest. Logan Township Police say they're sure juveniles vandalized the Greenwood Cemetery, but they say the area is secluded and are not sure if anyone witnessed more than 70 headstones being tipped over.

Murder      A Philipsburg man heads to trial on   6pm 10/01/99 1:10  
Charges      murder charges in the death of a State College man, even though police say he didn't actually shoot anyone. At today's hearing for Thomas Huddleston, a state trooper testified Huddleston and another suspect talked about killing David Camargo and then stealing his drugs, car and money.

Community      Alamo Bowl      Area sports bars and businesses   6pm 12/28/99 1:10  
Pride/Quality      are gearing up for Penn State's  
of Life      appearance in tonight's Alamo bowl. Many outlets have put large screen televisions in their business establishments to let customers enjoy the game while shopping or eating.

A Choral Christmas      A two-hour presentation of high school choral groups featuring secular and traditional religious music of the season. Each school performed three selections and the following participate: *Altoona Area, Bedford Area, Conemaugh Township, Greater Johnstown, Ferndale, Shade Central City, Juniata Valley, Johnstown Christian, Southern Huntingdon, UPJ, and Westmont Hilltop*. The selections were taped over a three-week period immediately following the Thanksgiving weekend.

Toys for Tots      Once again the Marine Corps Reserve Has been actively soliciting toys to Help those disadvantaged in the Area. The campaign has been going On since before Thanksgiving.

Athletes with Christmas Spirit      Some athletes from Grt Johnstown High School showed their Christmas spirit today. The group collected toys For needy children and played Santa. They passed them out at the Women's Help Center in Johnstown.

'Toona 2000      Big changes for the region's premiere sporting event are coming. State Rep. Rick Geist announced part of the Tour de Toona is coming to Johnstown. Starting next year, Johnstown will join in on the six-day cycling competition. Promoters see this as a step in the right direction.

Christmas Cheer & Charity      Lights and decorations put most people in the holiday mood. And part of that spirit includes giving. You can help Cambria County charities through the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trim-A-Wreath contest at Penn National in Johnstown.

- A Brighter Christmas      Hundreds of children will have a      6pm 12/8/99 1:10  
brighter Christmas thanks to the  
Salvation Army and Head Start. The  
Salvation Army donated hundreds of  
toys today to Head Start, which will  
hand them out to children who are less  
fortunate than others in and around  
Cambria County.
- Buck Season      School is out in several Central      11pm 11/28/99 1:10  
Pennsylvania locations tomorrow and  
Folks have taken the day off from  
work. It's the first day of the  
long-awaited buck season. State-  
wide, you can expect hunters to  
take to the woods and fields for  
the next two weeks. While visiting  
hunters, from neighboring states  
are always welcomed, warm weather  
is one major concern. Deer are  
harder to track without snow on the  
ground. And game commission  
officers worry hunters will be over-  
dressed in blaze orange, tiring out  
quickly.
- Cartoons      Once again, WJAC-TV aired the      Various 11/25-12/31  
traditional 1950s Christmas cartoons  
for area viewers. The toons ran at  
various times from Thanksgiving  
through Christmas; were featured in  
the Choral Christmas program; and  
were also available on the station's  
website. Featured were *Suzi Snowflake*;  
*Hardrock, Cocoa and Joe*; and *Frosty  
the Snowman*;
- Williamsburg Christmas      A 60-minute program hosted by      4pm 11/25/99 60 min  
Joy Philbin and Willard Scott looked  
At Christmas preparations in Williamsburg  
A holiday favorite vacationing spot  
For hundreds of area viewers.

Holiday Music A 60-minute program featuring various 5p 11/25/99 60 min contemporary and traditional artists Performing their favorite selections. The Program was similar to an MTV format

Carrier Hero A newspaper carrier is being hailed a hero today. Lee Oplinger who delivers the Tribune-Review by car noticed that an elderly man had not picked up his paper for two days. He called police and together they found the man had fallen and was hurt. Oplinger had often spoken with the man and knew that he did not leave home for long periods of time.

Greater Johnstown Halloween Parade This is a two-hour telecast of the 7pm 10/25/99 120mins locally-produced Greater Johnstown parade. Now in its 31+ year, and co-sponsored by WJAC-TV, this event brings thousands of people to the streets of Johnstown. The parade featured over 200 units, including high school marching bands, boy/girl scout/brownie troops, commercial and non-commercial floats, decorated emergency vehicles and Jaffa Shriners. More than 500 people, from several municipalities participated. The even and telecast are targeted to the young and young at heart. prize money is awarded in 10 categories plus the TV station covers the cost of transportation for high school bands.

Kids You Should Know This 90-second feature highlights a kid from the 11-county viewing area who is an inspiration to others. Those featured are not necessarily the brightest or most athletic members of their class. The feature may cover kids from elementary – college age. Those featured in this quarter were:  
**Buddy Grech – Ferndale; Leah Wagner – Ligonier; Olivia Hunsberger – Davidsville; Jeremy Kirkpatrick – Ebensburg; Emily Hudnall – Armagh; Jeff Hunt – Central**

***City; Angela Snyder – Somerset; Holly  
Devers; Richland; Bill Bowser – Johnstown***

People You	Weekly feature on interesting	6pm	10/1,8,15,22,29
Should Know	people in the Allegheny region		11/5,12,19,26,12/3
	our viewers should know. The		10,17,24
	feature was 90-seconds long and		
	was produced by weekend weather		
	anchor Angie Berzonski. Featured		
	were: <b><i>Debbie Burkey – South Fork;</i></b>		
	<b><i>Jake Williams – Nicktown; Cheryl</i></b>		
	<b><i>Ann Pituch – Jerome; James Dougherty –</i></b>		
	<b><i>Johnstown; Scott Schmucker – Somerset;</i></b>		
	<b><i>Dennis Merringer – Jennerstownship;</i></b>		
	<b><i>Majda Farra – Southmont; Eric Maier –</i></b>		
	<b><i>Indiana; Jim Lee – Windber; Richard</i></b>		
	<b><i>Claycomb – Bedford; Ed Rager – Penn</i></b>		
	<b><i>Run; Corky Wirick – Bedford; Santa</i></b>		
	<b><i>Claus – Bedford</i></b>		

Friday	This 15-minute expanded Friday night	11:20p	10/1-11/19
Football	high school football report, hosted by		15 min
Finale	Sports Director Tim Rigby, went beyond		
	scores and profiled at least 9 gridiron		
	contests. The profiles were complete		
	packages from the hottest games that		
	evening. Now an annual feature, Friday		
	night sports is expanded to include this		
	extra coverage.		

Heritage	A locally-produced program	12:30pm	12/9/99 30 min
Kitchen	celebrates the ethnic diversity in the		
	region, as exemplified in the cuisine		
	of the various locales. Hosted by		
	popular local host Mary Ann Jacobs		
	this edition of Heritage Kitchen dealt		
	with traditional Christmas delights		
	to tempt the pallet. Receipts were		
	made available to the viewers.		

## **WJAC-TV NON-BROADCAST EFFORTS**

**OCTOBER - DECEMBER 1999**

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES** - During the month of October, Marty Ostrow and Chris Taylor, WJAC-TV's General Manager and Operations Director respectively, served as guest lecturers for several broadcast classes at Penn State University's main campus in State College.

**WEATHER VISITS** - During this period, weather talents Jim Burton and Mark Parker visited a variety of schools and organizations. The following is a recap:

#### **Jim Burton**

10/27 Windber  
11/5 Jackson Township  
11/11 Talus Rock Girl Scouts  
11/16 Spring Cove Career Day  
11/18 Baker School  
11/19 Wright Elementary  
11/23 Freidens Elementary  
11/24 Homer City Elementary  
12/1 Jackson Township Seniors Center  
12/2 Forest Hills Elementary  
12/3 Penns Manor Elementary

#### **Mark Parker**

11/8 St. Benedicts  
11/9 Chestnut Ridge  
11/15 Ferndale  
11/22 St. Benedicts  
11/23 St. Patricks

**JOHN GUNTER LEADERSHIP SEMINAR** - On Thursday, December 16, Operations Director Chris Taylor conducted two two-hour seminars on interacting with the media. The seminars were part of the Greater Johnstown Chamber of Commerce Leadership Series for mid-level executives.

**WJAC-TV WEBSITE** - Three familiar 1950s vintage Christmas cartoons were added to WJAC-TV's website. The cartoons have been played during the holiday time frame for years, but this Thanksgiving they were added to the website to be enjoyed by thousands of viewers and friends around the country.